

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A communication apparatus comprising:

a word-generating means for recognizing a voice and generating a first word and a second word, which correspond to said voice;

a word-collating means for collating said first word generated by said word-generating means with pieces of information on a communication destination stored in advance and outputting a specific piece of information on a communication destination corresponding to said first word;

21 a program-activating means for confirming ~~the fact~~ that said second word generated by said word-generating means is a predetermined word, and activating a communication program corresponding to said predetermined word said program-activating means including status detecting means for determining ~~a status of respective programs~~ whether a predetermined program is activated already and judging whether to issue a local command that is specific to ~~one of the respective programs~~ controlling the predetermined program based on ~~the status~~ whether the predetermined program is already activated; and

a communication-destination-setting means for adopting said specific piece of information on a communication destination output by said word-collating means as information on a communication destination of said communication program activated by said program activating means.

Claim 2 (Original): A communication apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said communication program is an electronic mail transmission program.

Claim 3 (Original): A communication apparatus according to claim 2 wherein said pieces of information on communication destinations are each a destination of an electronic mail transmitted by said electronic mail transmission program.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A communication method comprising:

a word-generating step of recognizing a voice and generating a first word and a second word, which correspond to said voice;

a word-collating step of collating said first word generated at said word-generating step with pieces of information on communication destinations stored in advance and outputting a specific piece of information on a communication destination corresponding to said first word;

a program-activating step of confirming ~~the fact~~ that said second word generated at said word-generating step is a predetermined word and activating a communication program corresponding to said predetermined word, said program-activating step including ~~determining a status of respective programs~~ whether a predetermined program is activated and judging whether to issue a local command that is specific to ~~one of~~ controlling the ~~respective programs~~ predetermined program based on ~~the status~~ whether the predetermined program is already activated; and

a communication-destination-setting step of adopting said specific piece of information on a communication destination output at said word-collating step as information on a communication destination of said communication program activated at said program-activating step.

Claim 5 (Original): A communication method according to claim 4 wherein said communication program is an electronic mail transmission program.

Claim 6 (Original): A communication method according to claim 5 wherein said pieces of information on communication destinations are each a destination of an electronic mail transmitted by said electronic mail transmission program.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A program storage medium for storing a program to be executed by a communication apparatus wherein said program comprises:

a word-generating step of recognizing a voice and generating a first word and a second word, which correspond to said voice;

a word-collating step of collating said first word generated at said word-generating step with pieces of information on communication destinations stored in advance and outputting a specific piece of information on a communication destination corresponding to said first word;

a program-activating step of confirming ~~the fact~~ that said second word generated at said word-generating step is a predetermined word and activating a communication program corresponding to said predetermined word, said program-activating step including determining ~~a status of respective programs~~ whether a predetermined program is activated and judging whether to issue a local command that is specific to ~~one of~~ controlling the ~~respective programs~~ predetermined program based on ~~the status~~ whether the predetermined program is already activated; and

a communication-destination-setting step of adopting said specific piece of information on a communication destination output at said word-collating step as information on a communication destination of said communication program activated at said program-activating step.

Claim 8 (Original): A program storage medium according to claim 7 wherein said communication program is an electronic mail transmission program.

Claim 9 (Original): A program storage medium according to claim 8 wherein said pieces of information on communication destinations are each a destination of an electronic mail transmitted by said electronic mail transmission program.

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